licences issued to them for manufacturing consumer items, like over production, excessive pricing, quality etc; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken against them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. J. KURIEN) : (a) and (b) No report on M/s. Hindustan Lever Limited indulging in excessive profiteering has been received by this Ministry.

(c) and (d) Two original registration certificates held by M/s. Hindustan Lever Limited for the manufacture of toiletries and cosmetics in their Bombay and Calcutta factories did not indicate the installed capacities. The installed capacities were endorsed subsequently in 1985. The Company has contested the capacities so endorsed. The matter is being sorted out in consultation with all concerned.

Financial assistance for opening industrial growth centres in Bihar

1236. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: (a) whether it is a fact that Government has sanctioned financial assistance to Bihar for opening industrial growth centres in five districts of the State; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof including the districts which have been identified for opening Industrial growth centres ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. J. KURIEN) : (a) and (b) Under the Growth Centre Scheme announced in June 1988, Bihar has been allotted six growth centres. Locations of five of them have been selected and announced. These are Bhagalpur in Bhagalpur District, Hazaribagh in Hazaribagh District, Jasoria in Aurangabad District, Muzzafarpur in Muzzafarpur District and Purnea Kasba in Purnea District.

Central Assistance has not been released to the Growth Centres of Bihar as the State Government have not yet sent the Project Reports for appraisal and approval.

Funds sought by TAFCO

1237. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Tanery and Footwear Corporation of India (TAFCO) has sought funds for its rahabilitation;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) to (c) No formal Rehabilitation Scheme has been approved for TAFCO recently. However, Plan funds of Rs. 45 lakhs have been released during 1991-92 to the Corporation for purchase of certain moulds etc. towards replacement/ modernisation of machinery.

Investment in Public Sector Undertakings in Rajasthan

1238. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the percentage of investment in various public sector undertakings in Rajasthan is less *vis-a-vis* investment in public sector undertaknes of other States as on 31st March, 1992;

(b) if so, the percentage of investment in public sector undertakings of Rajasthan during the last 3 years and reasons for poor investment in the State; and

(c) what efforts have been made so far by the Central Government for increase in central investment in public sector undertakings in Rajasthan indicating the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) to (c) Investment in terms of gross block in the Central Public Sector Undertakings in Rajasthan as on 31-3-1991, upto which period only the information is available, was Rs. 2218.91